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Letter dated 22 March 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have been instructed by my Government to lodge a protest at the visit of Bulgarian Prime Minister Ivan Kostov to the Bulgarian units within the Kosovo Force (KFOR) in Kosovo and Metohija, the autonomous province of the Yugoslav constituent Republic of Serbia, on 19 March 2000. On that occasion, Mr. Kostov met Bishop Artemije, Mr. Momcilo Trajkovic, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and Mr. Ibrahim Rugova.

Considering that the Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia has not consented to this visit, it constitutes a violation of Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) of 10 June 1999, in particular its provision relative to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, as such visits cannot take place without the prior agreement of the authorities of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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